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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Rie SATO, et al.

SERIAL NO: NEW PATENT APPLICATION

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FOR: SPIN-TUNNEL TRANSISTOR AND MAGNETIC REPRODUCING HEAD

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